

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action delivered July 25, 2007. Claim 111 has been amended. Claims 1-110 and 112-118 have been canceled. Claims 111, 119 and 120 are pending in the application. Reconsideration of the above-identified application, in view of the above amendments and the following remarks, is respectfully requested.

Support for the amendments to claim 111 is as follows: is found in previous claims 112, 113, 114 and 117. Support for claim 112 was found at page 3, line 14 of the as-filed application; Support for claim 113 was found at page 9, line 8 of the as-filed application; Support for claim 114 was found at page 3, line 14 and page 9, line 18 of the as-filed application; Support for claim 117 was found at page 17, line 31 of the as-filed application.

Claims 111-116 and 118-120 stand rejected under 35 USC § 102 as being unpatentable over US Published Patent Application 2002/0173769 ("Gray") in view of US Published Patent Application 2003/0125679 ("Kubota").

Claim 111 and claims depending therefrom now contain all of the limitations of previous claim 117. Because claim 117 was not included in this rejection, the present rejection should be withdrawn.

Claim 117 stands rejected under 35 USC § 102 as being unpatentable over US Published Patent Application 2002/0173769 ("Gray") in view of US Published Patent Application 2003/0125679 ("Kubota") and further in view of US Patent No. 4,861,484.

Applicants respectfully traverse. Contrary to the Examiner's position, Lichtin does not disclose titania doped with nitrogen. Rather, the passage in Lichtin used by the Examiner to support this position (col. 5, lines 8-19) merely notes that nitrogen can be

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part of the by-products of photocatalysis of environmental pollutants. In Lichtin, nitrogen is not part of the photocatalyst, but part of the reactants.

For this reason, the present rejection should be withdrawn.

Please provide any extensions of time which may be necessary and charge any fees which may be due to Deposit Account No. 10-0750, but do not include any payment of issue fees.

Should there be any remaining or further questions, the Examiner is requested to please contact the undersigned directly.

Respectfully submitted,

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